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Special Assistant to the Director of Personnel
Central Intelligence Agency

25X1 Dear [redacted]

The following are some of my impressions concerning the summer intern program.

1. The logical place to begin is with the processing procedures.
 - a. My first contact with the Agency was through your regional recruiting officer, [redacted] impressed me favorably by his promptness in responding to my employment inquiries and by his manner during the interview. 25X1
 - b. The Washington interview, several months later, was smoothly executed. The only criticism I have is directed at the true-false psychology test. If the Agency considers tests of this kind to be valuable they should obtain a better quality of battery.
 - c. My contact with the administrative staff of OER is probably the most favorable aspect of my stay with the Agency. I would single out [redacted] and the administrative staff in general for their warmth and hospitality. 25X1
 - d. Finally, in reviewing the orientation program, I would observe that the Agency is effectively competing with the underground movie industry in the production of films of no socially redeeming value.
2. My feelings about the summer intern briefings are favorable but mixed.
 - a. Over half the briefings were characterized by a good deal of preparation on the part of the personnel presenting the programs. From the point of view of exposition these speeches were satisfactory. 25X1
 - b. But the communications skills demonstrated by briefing officers were generally unsatisfactory. Even you, [redacted] had difficulty staying awake for some lectures.
 - c. However, I should place this comment in perspective by saying

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that I appreciate the effort involved in the briefing program and I consider the purpose very worthwhile.

3. The research project I participated in offered several advantageous features.

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- a. I received excellent exposure to the methodologies of research and paper-writing while working under the direction of [REDACTED]
- b. The project was broad enough in scope so that I could deal with a wide range of economic problems. This allowed variety.
- c. The project required travelling to other agencies of government for research purposes. I consider this experience very desirable.
- d. Finally, my only negative reaction about the project is that at times it was very slow moving. However, this was due to uncontrollable factors.

4. In conclusion, from my personal perspective, I consider my summer here at the Agency to be one of the most profitable experiences of my life. It has given me an opportunity to travel back East, and it has given me a taste of what the future will be like for me. I look forward to returning next summer.

Sincerely yours,

[REDACTED]

Summer Intern, OER

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